

Shri Amarnathji Yatra 2017

Shri Amarnathji Yatra Registration reaches 2 lakhs

Governor reviews Advance Registration & Online Helicopter Booking

Srinagar, June 7: In a Yatra Review meeting held here today Governor J&K, Shri N.N. Vohra, Chairman of the Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board (SASB) was informed by Shri Umang Narula, Chief Executive Officer, Shrine Board, that, as of now, nearly 2.00 lakh pilgrims had secured Advance Registration through the designated Bank branches, Group Registration Facility and booking of helicopter tickets for Shri Amarnathji Yatra 2017.

This registration is being provided to the Yatris since 1st March, 2017 through 437 designated bank branches of the Punjab National Bank, J&K Bank and YES Bank, located in 32 States and UTs across the country. The ongoing trend of registration shows that about 1200 persons are being registered every day and the maximum numbers are being registered from the States of Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, M.P., Gujarat, Delhi, Haryana, Rajasthan and West Bengal, in the same order. It was also noted that the Advance Registration via the Pahalgam route is slightly more preferred than the Baltal route and this conforms to the traditional pattern of the Yatra. 143 groups have so far utilized the Group Registration Facility which is being especially provided by the Shrine Board.

CEO reported that with the reduced helicopter ticket fare for Yatra 2017, as compared to previous years, pilgrims in larger numbers have booked tickets in advance of the Yatra. The per passenger one way heli-fare for Yatra 2017 is Rs. 1,715/- (inclusive of all taxes) for Neelgrath-Panjtarni and Rs. 2,950/- (inclusive of all taxes) for Pahalgam-Panjtarni.

CEO once again urged the Yatris to secure their Advance Registration for Shri Amarnathji Yatra 2017 only from the branches of the authorized Banks and not from any other persons or agents who may try to cheat and sell fake Yatra Permits to them. The list of all authorized bank branches for providing advance registration for Yatra 2017 alongwith the authorized Doctors/Medical Institutions competent to issue Compulsory Health Certificates is available on the website of Shrine Board at <http://www.shriamarnathjishrine.com>.